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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
KEIJIRO TAKE : EXAMINER: .  
SERIAL NO: 10/796,017 :  
FILED: MARCH 10, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2681  
FOR: A METHOD AND APPARATUS :  
FOR ASSIGNING CODES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.


- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Petition to Make Special, Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449, List of Related Cases, Office Action issued on May 20, 2004 for Application Ser. No. 10/013,451 (filed 12/13/01)

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